

August 26, 2004

Re: DW 04-117, Hanover Water Works
Petition to Issue Securities and to Increase Rates
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On August 19, 2004, a duly noticed Prehearing Conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the Prehearing Conference were entered by representatives of Hanover Water Works, the Department of Environmental Services, the Office of the Consumer Advocate (participating as a full statutory party), and Commission Staff. There were no pending motions to intervene.

Following the Prehearing Conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff dated August 20, 2004:

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| First round of Data Requests | August 24, 2004 |
| Responses to first round of Data Requests | August 31, 2004 |
| Second round of Data Requests | September 8, 2004 |
| Responses to second round of Data Requests | September 17, 2004 |
| Technical Session | September 22, 2004 9:00 a.m. |
| Public Hearing, Hanover | September 22, 2004 7:00 p.m. |
| Testimony | October 1, 2004 |
| Data Requests | October 6, 2004 |
| Responses to Data Requests | October 11, 2004 |
| Settlement Conference | October 14, 2004 9:00 a.m. |
| Hearing on the Merits | October 20, 2004 9:00 a.m. |

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and will therefore approve it.

For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected not to issue a written order regarding the above referenced matters. Accordingly, pursuant to Puc 201.05(a), the Commission waives the prehearing order requirement of Puc 203.05(e).

Very truly yours,

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary

cc: Docket File